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# ON $\gamma$ -SEMIOPEN SETS

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**Abstract**. Characterizations of  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets,  $\gamma$ -semiclosed sets,  $\gamma$ -semiclosure and  $\gamma$ -semiinterior are given. Properties of  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets and  $\gamma$ -semiclosed sets are also discussed.

# 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

In 2005, Güldürdek and Özbakir [3], introduced and studied  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets. In this paper, we further extend the study of  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets. Let *X* be any nonempty set. We denote by  $\Gamma$ , the collection of all mappings  $\gamma \colon \wp(X) \to \wp(X)$  such that  $A \subset B$  implies  $\gamma(A) \subset \gamma(B)$ . As defined in [1], we mention here the following subcollections of  $\Gamma$ .

$$\begin{split} &\Gamma_0 = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma(\emptyset) = \emptyset\} \\ &\Gamma_1 = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma(X) = X\}, \\ &\Gamma_2 = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma^2(A) = \gamma(A) \text{ for every subset } A \text{ of } X\}, \\ &\Gamma_- = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma(A) \subset A \text{ for every subset } A \text{ of } X\} \text{ and } \\ &\Gamma_+ = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid A \subset \gamma(A) \text{ for every subset } A \text{ of } X\}. \end{split}$$

A subset *A* of *X* is said to be  $\gamma - open$  [1] if  $A \subset \gamma(A)$ . *B* is said to be  $\gamma - closed$  [1] if its complement is  $\gamma$ -open. The smallest  $\gamma$ -closed set containing *A* is called the  $\gamma - closure$  of *A* [1] and is denoted by  $c_{\gamma}(A)$ . The largest  $\gamma$ -open set contained in *A* is called the  $\gamma - interior$  of *A* [1] and is denoted by  $i_{\gamma}(A)$ . If  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$ , then we will denote  $\gamma_1 \circ \gamma_2$  by  $\gamma_1 \gamma_2$ . For  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , define  $\gamma^* : \mathcal{O}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(X)$  by  $\gamma^*(A) = X - \gamma(X - A)$  [1] for every subset *A* of *X*. By a space *X*, we always mean a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  with no separation properties assumed. The closure and interior of any subset *A* of *X* are denoted by c(A) and i(A) respectively. Moreover,  $\Gamma_3 = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid G \cap \gamma(A) \subset \gamma(G \cap A)$  for every subset  $A \subset X$  and  $G \in \tau\}$ . If *I* is a collection of some of the symbols 0,2,3, -, + and 1, then  $\Gamma_I = \{\gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma \in \Gamma_i \text{ for every } i \in I\}$ . The following lemmas will be useful in the sequel.

**Lemma 1.1.** *If*  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ *, then*  $i_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_{02-}$  [1, Proposition 1.3],  $i_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_1$  *if and only if*  $\gamma \in \Gamma_1$  *and*  $c_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_{12+}$  [1, Proposition 1.9].

**Lemma 1.2.** If  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$ , then  $i_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$  [1, Proposition 2.4],  $c_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$  [1, Proposition 2.6] and  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$  [1, Proposition 2.1].

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**Lemma 1.3.** If  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , then  $\gamma^* \in \Gamma$ ,  $(\gamma^*)^* = \gamma$ ,  $(i_{\gamma})^* = c_{\gamma}$  and  $(c_{\gamma})^* = i_{\gamma}$  [1, Proposition 1.7].

**Lemma 1.4.** If  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2 \in \Gamma$ , then (i)  $\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$ , (ii)  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in \Gamma_n \Rightarrow \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \in \Gamma_n$  for n = 0, 1, +, and  $(\gamma_1 \gamma_2)^* = (\gamma_1)^* (\gamma_2)^*$  [1, Proposition 1.11].

### 2. $\gamma$ -semiopen Sets

Let *X* be any nonempty set and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . A subset *A* of *X* is said to be  $\gamma$  – *semiopen* [3] if there exists a  $\gamma$ -open set *G* such that  $G \subset A \subset c_{\gamma}(G)$ . In [3], it is established that *X* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen, arbitrary union of  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets is  $\gamma$ -semiopen, every  $\gamma$ -open set is  $\gamma$ -semiopen and the intersection of two  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets need not be a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set. The complement of a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set is called a  $\gamma$  – *semiclosed* set [3]. The intersection of all  $\gamma$ -semiclosed sets containing *A* is called the  $\gamma$  – *semiclosure* [3] of *A* and is denoted by  $sc_{\gamma}(A)$ . It is easy to verify the following.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let A be a subset of X and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then the following hold.

- (a)  $sc_{\gamma}(A)$  is the smallest  $\gamma$ -semiclosed set containing A.
- (b) A is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed if and only if  $A = sc_{\gamma}(A)$ .
- (c)  $x \in sc_{\gamma}(A)$  if and only if for every  $\gamma$ -semiopen set G containing  $x, G \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .
- (d)  $sc_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_{012+}$  ( $sc_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_{0}$ , since X is  $\gamma$ -semiopen [3, Proposition 1.2] and so  $\phi$  is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed.  $sc_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_{1}$ , since  $\phi$  is  $\gamma$ -open [1] and so is  $\gamma$ -semiopen [3, Proposition 1.3] which implies that X is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed).

The union of all  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets contained in *A* is called the  $\gamma$  – *semiinterior* [3] of *A* and is denoted by  $si_{\gamma}(A)$ . It is easy to verify the following.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let A be a subset of X and*  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ *. Then the following hold.* 

- (a)  $si_{\gamma}(A)$  is the largest  $\gamma$ -semiopen set contained in A.
- (b) A is  $\gamma$ -semiopen if and only if  $A = si_{\gamma}(A)$ .
- (c)  $x \in si_{\gamma}(A)$  if and only if there is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set G containing x such that  $G \subset A$ .
- (d)  $si_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_{012-}$ .

The following Theorem 2.3 gives the relation between  $sc_{\gamma}$  and  $si_{\gamma}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** If X is any nonempty set and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , then the following hold.

- (a)  $(si_{\gamma})^* = sc_{\gamma}$ .
- (b)  $(sc_{\gamma})^* = si_{\gamma}$ .
- (c)  $si_{\gamma}(X A) = X sc_{\gamma}(A)$  for every subset A of X.
- (d)  $sc_{\gamma}(X A) = X si_{\gamma}(A)$  for every subset A of X.

**Proof.** (a) Let *A* be a subset of *X*. Then  $(si_{\gamma})^*(A) = X - si_{\gamma}(X - A)$ . Since  $si_{\gamma}(X - A)$  is the largest  $\gamma$ -semiopen set contained in X - A,  $X - si_{\gamma}(X - A)$  is the smallest  $\gamma$ -semiclosed set containing *A* and so  $X - si_{\gamma}(X - A) = sc_{\gamma}(A)$ . Hence  $(si_{\gamma})^* = sc_{\gamma}$ . (b) By Lemma 1.3 and (a),  $(sc_{\gamma})^* = ((si_{\gamma})^*)^* = si_{\gamma}$ . This proves (b).

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(c) If *A* is a subset of *X*,  $(si_{\gamma})^*(A) = X - si_{\gamma}(X - A)$  and so by (b),  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = X - si_{\gamma}(X - A)$  which implies that  $si_{\gamma}(X - A) = X - sc_{\gamma}(A)$  for every subset *A* of *X*. (d) The proof is similar to the proof of (c).

The following Theorem 2.4 and Theorem 2.5(a) give characterizations of  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets in terms of  $\gamma$ -interior and  $\gamma$ -closure operators. Theorem 2.5(b), (c) and (d) give properties of  $\gamma$ -semiinterior and  $\gamma$ -semiclosure operators. In Theorem 2.6, we prove that the closure of every  $\gamma$ -semiopen set is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let A be a subset of X and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then the following are equivalent.

(a) A is  $\gamma$ -semiopen.

(b)  $A \subset c_{\gamma} i_{\gamma}(A)$ .

(c)  $c_{\gamma}(A) = c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ .

**Proof.** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). Suppose *A* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen. Then there exists a  $\gamma$ -open set *G* such that  $G \subset A \subset c_{\gamma}(G)$ . Since *G* is  $\gamma$ -open,  $G = i_{\gamma}(G)$  and so  $A \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(G)$ . Since  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma} \in \Gamma$ , by Lemma 1.4 and  $G \subset A$ , it follows that  $A \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$  which proves (b).

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). Since  $c_{\gamma} \in \Gamma$  and  $i_{\gamma}(A) \subset A$ , we have  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A) \subset c_{\gamma}(A)$ . By hypothesis and Lemma 1.1,  $c_{\gamma}(A) \subset c_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A) = c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ . Therefore,  $c_{\gamma}(A) = c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ .

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (a). Since  $i_{\gamma}(A)$  is a  $\gamma$ -open set such that  $i_{\gamma}(A) \subset A \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ , A is  $\gamma$ -semiopen.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let A be a subset of X and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then the following hold.

(a) A is  $\gamma$ -semiopen if and only if A is  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}$ -open if and only if  $A = i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A)$ .

- (b)  $si_{\gamma} = i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}$  and  $sc_{\gamma} = c_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}$ .
- (c)  $si_{\gamma}(A) = A \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ .
- (d)  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = A \cup i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$ .

**Proof.** The proof of (a) follows from Theorem 2.4(a) and (b).

(b) If  $x \in si_{\gamma}(A)$ , then there exists a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set B such that  $x \in B \subset A$ . By (a), B is a  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}$ -open set and so  $x \in i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A)$ . Hence  $si_{\gamma}(A) \subset i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A)$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A) \subset si_{\gamma}(A)$ . Therefore,  $si_{\gamma} = i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}$ . Again,  $sc_{\gamma} = (si_{\gamma})^*$ , by Theorem 2.3(a) and so  $sc_{\gamma} = (i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}})^* = c_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}$ , by Lemma 1.3.

(c) Since  $i_{\gamma}(i_{\gamma}(A)) = i_{\gamma}(A)$  and  $i_{\gamma}(A) \subset i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$  for every subset *A* of *X*, by Theorem 1.3 of [2], we have  $i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A) = A \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$  and so, by (b),  $si_{\gamma}(A) = A \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ .

(d) Since  $i_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A) = A \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$ , by Theorem 3.1 of [2],  $c_{c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}}(A) = A \cup (c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma})^*(A) = A \cup (c_{\gamma})^*(i_{\gamma})^*(A) = A \cup i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$ , by Lemmas 1.3 and 1.4. By (b),  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = A \cup i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** If  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $A \subset B \subset c_{\gamma}(A)$  and A is  $\gamma$ -semiopen, then B is  $\gamma$ -semiopen. In particular, the  $\gamma$ -closure of every  $\gamma$ -semiopen set is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set.

**Proof.** Since *A* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen, by Theorem 2.4(c),  $c_{\gamma}(A) = c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A)$  and so  $c_{\gamma}(A) \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(B)$ . Since  $B \subset c_{\gamma}(A), B \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(B)$  and so by Theorem 2.4, *B* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen.

The following Theorem 2.7 gives characterizations of  $\gamma$ -semiclosed sets.

**Theorem 2.7.** Let A be a subset of X and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- (a) A is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed.
- (b)  $i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) \subset A$ .
- (c)  $i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) = i_{\gamma}(A)$ .
- (d) There exists a  $\gamma$ -closed set F such that  $i_{\gamma}(F) \subset A \subset F$ .

**Proof.** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). *A* is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed  $\Rightarrow X - A$  is  $\gamma$ -semiopen  $\Rightarrow X - A \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(X - A)$ , by Theorem 2.4(b). By Lemma 1.3, it follows that  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(X - A) = X - i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$  and so  $i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) \subset A$ . (b) $\Rightarrow$ (c).  $i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) \subset A \Rightarrow i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) \subset i_{\gamma}(A)$  and so  $i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) = i_{\gamma}(A)$ .

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d). If  $F = c_{\gamma}(A)$ , then *F* is a  $\gamma$ -closed set such that  $i_{\gamma}(F) = i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) = i_{\gamma}(A) \subset A \subset F$ , which proves (d).

(d) $\Rightarrow$ (a). If there exists a  $\gamma$ -closed set F such that  $i_{\gamma}(F) \subset A \subset F$ , then  $X - F \subset X - A \subset X - i_{\gamma}(F) = c_{\gamma}(X - F)$ . Since X - F is  $\gamma$ -open, X - A is  $\gamma$ -semiopen and so A is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed.

We say that *A* is  $c_{\gamma}$ -*dense* if  $c_{\gamma}(A) = X$ . The following Theorem 2.8 characterizes  $c_{\gamma}$ -dense subsets.

**Theorem 2.8.** *If X is any nonempty set, A is a subset of X and*  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ *, then the following are equivalent.* 

(a)  $c_{\gamma}(A) = X$ .

- (b)  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = X$ .
- (c) If B is any  $\gamma$ -semiclosed subset of X such that  $A \subset B$ , then B = X.
- (d) Every nonempty  $\gamma$ -semiopen set has a nonempty intersection with A.
- (e)  $si_{\gamma}(X-A) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). Suppose  $x \notin sc_{\gamma}(A)$ . Then there exists a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set G containing x such that  $G \cap A = \emptyset$ . Since G is a nonempty  $\gamma$ -semiopen set, there is a nonempty  $\gamma$ -open set H such that  $H \subset G$  and so  $H \cap A = \emptyset$  which implies that  $c_{\gamma}(A) \neq X$ , a contradiction. Hence  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = X$ .

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). If *B* is any  $\gamma$ -semiclosed set such that  $A \subset B$ , then  $X = sc_{\gamma}(A) \subset sc_{\gamma}(B) = B$  and so B = X.

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d). If *G* is any nonempty  $\gamma$ -semiopen set such that  $G \cap A = \emptyset$ , then  $A \subset X - G$  and X - G is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed. By hypothesis, X - G = X and so  $G = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $G \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . (d) $\Rightarrow$ (e). Suppose  $si_{\gamma}(X - A) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $si_{\gamma}(X - A)$  is a nonempty  $\gamma$ -semiopen set such that  $si_{\gamma}(X - A) \cap A = \emptyset$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $si_{\gamma}(X - A) = \emptyset$ .

(e) $\Rightarrow$ (a).  $si_{\gamma}(X - A) = \emptyset \Rightarrow X - si_{\gamma}(X - A) = X \Rightarrow sc_{\gamma}(A) = X$ . By Theorem 2.5(a),  $sc_{\gamma}(B) \subset c_{\gamma}(B)$  for every subset *B* of *X*. Therefore,  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = X$  implies that  $c_{\gamma}(A) = X$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** If X is any nonempty set, A is a subset of X and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , then the following hold.

(a)  $si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A).$ (b)  $sc_{\gamma}(si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A))) = si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)).$ (c)  $A \cup si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) = sc_{\gamma}(A).$ (d)  $sc_{\gamma}(si_{\gamma}(A)) = si_{\gamma}(A) \cup i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A).$ 

(e)  $si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(si_{\gamma}(A))) = sc_{\gamma}(si_{\gamma}(A)).$ 

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(f)  $A \cap sc_{\gamma}(si_{\gamma}(A)) = si_{\gamma}(A)$ .

**Proof.** (a)  $si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A))$  by Theorem 2.5(c) and so  $si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) \subset sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$ . Again,  $si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A \cup i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)) \supset sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$  and so (a) follows.

(b) Since every  $\gamma$ -closed set is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed,  $sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)$  is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed and so  $si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A))$  is  $\gamma$ -semiclosed. Therefore, (b) follows.

(c)By (a),  $A \cup si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) = A \cup (sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)) = (A \cup sc_{\gamma}(A)) \cap (A \cup c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)) \supset sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap (A \cup i_{\gamma}c_{\gamma}(A)) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \cap sc_{\gamma}(A) = sc_{\gamma}(A) \text{ and so } A \cup si_{\gamma}(sc_{\gamma}(A)) \supset sc_{\gamma}(A).$  The reverse direction is clear.

(d), (e) and (f) can be similarly proved.

Example 1.6 of [3] says that the intersection of two  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets in a space need not be  $\gamma$ -semiopen. The following Theorem 2.10 says that if any one of the sets is open and  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$ , then the intersection is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $(X, \tau)$  be any space and  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$ . If A is open and B is  $\gamma$ -semiopen, then  $A \cap B$  is  $\gamma$ -semiopen.

**Proof.** Since *B* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen, there exists a  $\gamma$ -open set *G* such that  $G \subset B \subset c_{\gamma}(G)$  and so  $A \cap G \subset A \cap B \subset A \cap c_{\gamma}(G)$ . By Proposition 2.2 of [1],  $A \cap G$  is  $\gamma$ -open and so  $A \cap G = i_{\gamma}(A \cap G)$ . By Lemma 1.2,  $c_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$  and so  $A \cap c_{\gamma}(G) \subset c_{\gamma}(A \cap G)$ . Therefore,  $A \cap B \subset A \cap c_{\gamma}(G) \subset c_{\gamma}(A \cap G) = c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A \cap G) \subset c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(A \cap B)$ . By Theorem 2.4,  $A \cap B$  is  $\gamma$ -semiopen.

If *A* is any nonempty semiopen set in a space *X*, then  $i(A) \neq \emptyset$  [4, Lemma 1.1]. Similar property will not hold for  $\gamma$ -semiopen sets. The following Example 2.11 gives a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set *G* for which  $i_{\gamma}(G) = \emptyset$ . Theorem 2.12 shows that every open set is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set, if  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$ .

**Example 2.11.** [1, Example 1.12] Let  $\mathbb{R}$  be the set of all real numbers with the usual topology. If  $\gamma$  is defined by  $\gamma(A) = \{0\}$  if  $0 \in A$ ,  $\gamma(A) = \emptyset$  if  $0 \notin A$ , then  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{023-}$  and  $\emptyset$  and  $\{0\}$  are the only  $\gamma$ -open sets. If  $G = \mathbb{Q} - \{0\}$ , where  $\mathbb{Q}$  is the set of all rational numbers, then  $i_{\gamma}(G) = \emptyset$  but  $c_{\gamma}i_{\gamma}(G) = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$  implies that G is  $\gamma$ -semiopen. This also shows that a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set need not be open.

**Theorem 2.12.** Let X be a space and  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$ . Then every open set G is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set.

**Proof.** Now  $G = G \cap X \subset G \cap c_{\gamma} i_{\gamma}(X)$ , since *X* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen. Therefore,  $G \subset G \cap c_{\gamma} i_{\gamma}(X) \subset c_{\gamma} i_{\gamma}(G \cap X) = c_{\gamma} i_{\gamma}(G)$ , by Lemma 1.2, which implies that *G* is  $\gamma$ -semiopen.

**Theorem 2.13.** If X is a space and  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$ , then  $si_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$  and  $sc_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$ .

**Proof.** Let *G* be an open set and *A* be any subset of *X*. Then  $G \cap si_{\gamma}(A)$  is a  $\gamma$ -semiopen set by Theorem 2.10 and  $G \cap si_{\gamma}(A) \subset G \cap A$ . Since  $si_{\gamma}(G \cap A)$  is the largest  $\gamma$ -semiopen set contained in  $G \cap A$ , we have  $G \cap si_{\gamma}(A) \subset si_{\gamma}(G \cap A)$  and so  $si_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$ . Again,  $si_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3 \Rightarrow (si_{\gamma})^* \in \Gamma_3 \Rightarrow sc_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$ .

**Corollary 2.14.** If X is a space,  $\gamma \in \Gamma_3$  and G is open, then the following hold.

- (a) For every subset A of X,  $sc_{\gamma}(G \cap A) = sc_{\gamma}(G \cap sc_{\gamma}(A))$ .
- (b) If  $sc_{\gamma}(A) = X$ , then  $sc_{\gamma}(G \cap A) = sc_{\gamma}(G)$ .

**Proof.** (a) Since  $sc_{\gamma} \in \Gamma_3$ , by Theorem 2.13,  $G \cap sc_{\gamma}(A) \subset sc_{\gamma}(G \cap A)$  and so  $sc_{\gamma}(G \cap sc_{\gamma}(A)) \subset sc_{\gamma}(G \cap A)$ . But  $G \cap A \subset G \cap sc_{\gamma}(A) \Rightarrow sc_{\gamma}(G \cap A) \subset sc_{\gamma}(G \cap sc_{\gamma}(A))$ . Therefore,  $sc_{\gamma}(G \cap A) = sc_{\gamma}(G \cap sc_{\gamma}(A))$ .

(b) The proof follows from (a).

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